

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Robert Anderson was born and raised at Alcester, South Dakota. Robert graduated from Alcester High School, and the University of South Dakota, earning a Master of Arts Degree in Speech Language Pathology and Special Education; and,

*Whereas*, Robert began his teaching career in 1973. He joined the staff of South Central Education Cooperative in Tyndall in 1976 and was named Coordinator of Speech, Language, and Early Childhood Services for South Central Education Cooperative in 1980, serving in that capacity for the past 31 years; and,

*Whereas*, Robert has developed excellent programs for the education of preschool and school-age children with developmental and communication disorders in the South Central Education Cooperative member school districts; and,

*Whereas*, Robert has mentored many Early Childhood Special Education teachers and Speech Language Pathologists in our state through his work and volunteerism; and,

*Whereas*, Robert's passion for the children of South Dakota has assisted many young children with disabilities to gain their fullest potential as his commitment has been not only to the children with disabilities, but also their families. He has assisted families so the children of South Dakota might grow up to become healthy, happy, and productive citizens; and,

*Whereas*, Robert will officially retire on June 30, 2011, and family and friends will join him in a retirement reception on May 26, 2011:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2011, as

### *ROBERT ANDERSON DAY*

in South Dakota, and I join with his family, colleagues, students, and friends in wishing him a fulfilling and happy retirement.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Jason M. Gant*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State